

**1989/1990  
WICHITA CITY BUDGET IN BRIEF . . .**

- ° The total adopted 1989 Budget (all funds) amounts to \$248,946,693, compared to the current budget of \$225,220,581; 1990 expenditures are projected at \$233,045,798.
- ° A mill levy increase of 2.5 mills (an average annual 3.8% increase for the two years) is adopted for 1989/1990. The total mill levy to support the adopted budget is 37.303.
- ° One mill of the adopted tax increase is dedicated to a Capital Investment Maintenance Program to improve maintenance of the City's streets and other capital assets.
- ° One half mill of the adopted tax increase will fund seventeen (17) Firefighter positions for a new west Wichita fire station.
- ° The remaining one mill of the adopted tax increase provides funds for: (1) program improvements including a new Police substation, seven additional Emergency Communications dispatchers (three full year, four mid-year), increased parks and right-of-way maintenance, and enhancements to cultural facilities; (2) replacement of lost revenues (Motor Vehicle Dealers Stamp Tax, sales tax exemption for manufacturer's machinery/equipment, decreased grant funds for DUI enforcement programs, and tax exemptions/ abatements); and (3) operational cost increases.
- ° Other increases in the budget are primarily attributable to (nontax supported) activities, including utility improvements, debt service, and special funds operations; these expenses amount to over 68 percent of the budget expenditure increase.
- ° The assessed valuation on which taxes are computed is \$1,061,993,240 -- an increase of approximately 3.1% from the current year.
- ° In 1989, for every dollar in property taxes paid, only 24.9¢ will be received by the City to support basic municipal services and bonded indebtedness.
- ° General Fund expenditures are budgeted at \$83,900,692, representing an increase of approximately \$5.8 million.
- ° A reserve account of approximately five (5%) percent has been established, representing \$4.4 million reserve in the General Fund.
- ° The projected local sales tax is budgeted at \$25.3 million, of which \$12.7 million will be used to reduce property taxes by 12 mills.
- ° The 1989-1994 Capital Improvement Program totals \$446,294,000; the 1989 Capital Budget is \$85,550,000.

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